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RESPONSE TO INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORMS

A telephonic interview was conducted between Examiner Vo and applicant's representative Robert L. Showalter on August 16, 2005. Claims 1 and 9 and the prior art applied against those claims in the June 22, 2005 Office Action were discussed. No agreement was reached regarding the allowability of claims 1 and 9. Examiner Vo did indicate that claims which recite that "the laminate comprises an optically clear laminate," such as claim 30, would be allowable. She also indicated that claims that specifically exclude a metallic layer from the laminate may be allowable as well.

In an Interview Summary dated August 18, 2005, Examiner Vo indicated that agreement was reached with respect to the claims.

During a subsequent telephone call to Examiner Vo, Mr. Showalter indicated to the Examiner that an agreement had not been reached with regard to the claims discussed during the interview. The Examiner stated that she would issue a new Interview Summary Form.

In a second Interview Summary dated September 8, 2005, the Examiner states:

Applicant's representative made a call to the examiner on 08/30/05 to point out the check box "was reached" related to the agreement with respect to the claims is wrong because Applicant' representative have never agreed with the examiner that the exclusion of the metallic layer and "optically clear element" would render the instant claims unobvious over the prior art. (Emphasis)

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During the interview, Mr. Showalter did <u>not</u> indicate in any way whatsoever that claims which recite that "the laminate comprises an optically clear laminate" would not be patentable. Nor did he indicate that claims which exclude a metallic layer from the laminate would not be patentable. On the contrary, Mr. Showalter agrees that claims which recite that "the laminate comprises an optically clear laminate" would be patentable. Mr. Showalter further agrees that claims which exclude a metallic layer from the laminate would also be patentable. It is the applicant's position that the currently pending claims are patentable over the prior art without either of these additional limitations.

Respectfully submitted, STEVENS & SHOWALTER, L.L.P.

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